

5. *Notes* that the people of Tokelau with whom the Visiting Mission consulted expressed their desire to maintain at this stage their present status and relationship with the administering Power;

6. *Notes* the continuing development of the General Fono (Council) of Tokelau as the Territory's highest political body, and considers that the process of devolution of authority to Tokelau's political and administrative institutions should continue;

7. *Urges* the administering Power, in co-operation with the Tokelau public service, to expand and intensify its programme of political education in the Territory so as to improve the awareness of the people of the Territory of the options available to them in the exercise of their right to self-determination and independence, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration;

8. *Commends* the people of Tokelau for their determination to manage their economic and political development in such a way as to ensure that it does not compromise or undermine Tokelau's distinct and valued cultural heritage, and urges the administering Power and international agencies to respect fully the wishes of the people of Tokelau in this regard;

9. *Welcomes* the assurance of the administering Power that legislation affecting Tokelau will only be passed after consultation with the General Fono (Council) of Tokelau, and commends the Fono for the role it is playing in the development of a new legal code to give due recognition to Tokelauan customs and culture;

10. *Welcomes also* the efforts being made to develop an education system specifically geared to the needs of Tokelau and urges that these efforts be intensified;

11. *Requests* the administering Power, taking into account the Visiting Mission's observations, conclusions and recommendations, to continue to enlist the assistance of the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, as well as other regional and international bodies, in the development and strengthening of the economy of the Territory;

12. *Welcomes* the participation of Tokelau in South Pacific regional organizations and institutions and requests the administering Power to facilitate the participation of the Territory as an associate member of various organizations of the United Nations system, as well as other regional and international bodies;

13. *Expresses the view* that measures to promote the economic and social development of Tokelau are an essential element in the process of self-determination and, in that connection, calls upon the administering Power, in close co-operation with the General Fono (Council), to continue to intensify and diversify its programmes of development assistance to Tokelau;

14. *Notes* the assistance extended to Tokelau by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Health Organization and other regional and international institutions and urges them to continue to increase such assistance to the Territory in close consultation with the Tokelau Administration;

15. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue the examination of this question at its next session, including the possible dispatch of a further visiting mission to Tokelau at an appropriate time and in consultation with the admin-

istering Power, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-second session.

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#### 41/27. United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its earlier resolutions on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, in particular resolution 40/54 of 2 December 1985,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General<sup>42</sup> containing an account of the work of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa and the administration of the Programme for the period from 16 October 1985 to 30 September 1986,

*Recognizing* the valuable assistance rendered by the Programme to the peoples of South Africa and Namibia,

*Noting with satisfaction* that educational and technical assistance for southern Africa has become a growing concern of the international community,

*Fully recognizing* the need at this critical juncture in southern Africa to provide educational opportunities and counselling to a greater number of student refugees in a wide variety of professional, cultural and linguistic disciplines, as well as opportunities for vocational and technical training and for advanced studies at graduate and post-graduate levels in the priority fields of study,

*Strongly convinced* that the continuation and expansion of the Programme is essential in order to meet the ever-increasing demand for educational and training assistance to students from South Africa and Namibia,

1. *Endorses* the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa;

2. *Commends* the Secretary-General and the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa for their continued efforts to promote generous contributions to the Programme and to enhance co-operation with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental agencies involved in educational and technical assistance to southern Africa;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to all those that have supported the Programme by providing contributions, scholarships or places in their educational institutions;

4. *Appeals* to all States, institutions, organizations and individuals to offer greater financial and other support to the Programme in order to secure its continuation and steady expansion.

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<sup>42</sup> A/41/678 and Corr.1.